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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for:

Vincent E. Hummel

Serial No.: 09/535,765

Filed: March 28, 2000

For: BRANCH PREDICTOR WITH

SATURATING COUNTER AND LOCAL BRANCH HISTORY TABLE WITH

ALGORITHM FOR UPDATING REPLACEMENT FIELDS OF MATCHING

TABLE ENTRIES (As Amended)

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Respectfully submitted,

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